

National Council for Air and Stream Improvement, Inc.
Job Description

Position: **Wildlife Biologist II**
Reports to: Dr. Jake Verschuyf
Work Week: Exempt position; 40+ hours per week to meet work demands
Revised: March 14, 2018
Duty Station: Southern Oregon Cascades
Duration: April 1, 2018 –September 15, 2018
Salary Range: \$ 2,500 per month, position does **not** qualify for benefits, or housing

Project Description:

We will collect vegetation and habitat attributes at fisher (*Pekania pennanti*) rest zones and known den and rest structures, comparing areas that have been used >5 times, at least once (1 verified use), and in random (non-used) locations. Data collection and analyses will occur at three spatial scales: (1) known rest/den structure; (2) site (within a rest zone, <50m); and (3) stand/vicinity (1000m from plot center). Data collection will focus on covariates consistently predicting fisher resting locations in prior studies; Vegetation and habitat characteristics data will be collected and entered during summer 2018. In addition, each rest zone will be monitored with at least 2 remote cameras to document fisher visitation and other mammalian occurrence (e.g., small mammals) from March-July when fisher parturition and kit rearing occurs. This will provide verification that sites are still actively used by fisher while providing a coarse index of prey occurrence.

Essential Job Functions:

1. Collect data on habitat characteristics near known fisher rest and den structures.
2. Position will require working outdoors in inclement weather. Must be able to get to and work from remote locations, drive forest roads, read maps, navigate through a forested landscape, and relate well with the public.
3. Gather, enter and analyze data and related information.
4. Willingness to have a flexible work schedule.
5. Demonstrate an ability to work effectively with others toward meeting the goals of the National Council.
6. Develop a familiarity with NCASI's mission, policies, practices, and procedures.
7. Become acquainted with the environmental issues of the forest products industry.
8. Read, absorb, process, and communicate complex information. Assist the supervisor in responding to technical queries by NCASI clients and others in a competent and timely manner.
9. Possess ability to carry-out associated field work that may involve prolonged (multi-day) exposure to inclement conditions and a necessity to hike carrying equipment (20 pounds or more) over rough terrain (for 2 miles or more).

Additional Responsibilities:

1. Undertakes additional activities as assigned by Supervisor.

Minimum Qualifications:

1. A Bachelor's degree in a biological sciences discipline or related environmental field and knowledge of plant identification.
2. Must have driving record which can be approved by Federal Agencies to drive government vehicles.
3. Basic data entry experience.

Additional Qualifications:

1. Knowledge of local plant communities (Oregon Cascades).

Please send cover letter, resume, and 3 references with phone numbers and e-mail addresses to: Jake Verschuyt, National Council for Air and Stream Improvement, Inc., P.O. Box 1259, Anacortes, WA 98221. The positions will remain open until filled. Materials may be submitted electronically to: jverschuyt@ncasi.org. NCASI is an equal opportunity employer.